

Remarks

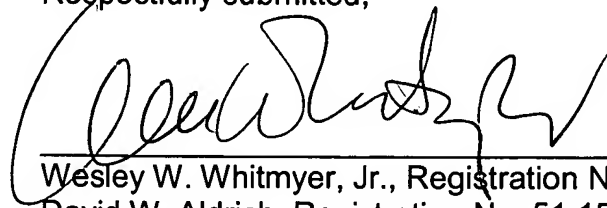
By the foregoing Amendment, claims 1, 6, 11, 14, 15 & 16 are amended, and claims 3-4 are cancelled. No new matter is added by this Amendment. Entry of the Amendment, and favorable consideration thereof, is earnestly requested.

The Examiner has indicated that independent claims 6, 11, 14, 15 & 16, if rewritten in independent form, would be allowable. Accordingly, claims 6, 14, 15 & 16 have been amended to incorporate all of the limitations of claim 1, and claim 11 has been amended to render it dependent on claim 6.

Additionally, claim 1 has been amended pursuant to a teleconference with the Examiner on December 29, 2004, so as to render that claim allowable. Support for this amendment is found throughout the specification and drawings, and specifically, in Paragraph 00074 and Figures 3-4. Accordingly, claims 3-4 have been cancelled.

It is respectfully submitted that claims 1-2 and 5-16, all of the claims remaining in the application, are in order for allowance, and early notice to that effect is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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